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Constantine Tsikos et al.

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09/781,665

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Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

DECLARATION UNDER C.F.R. 1.53(b)

Sir:

I, Thomas J. Perkowski, Esq., attorney of record in the above identified case, hereby declare and certify that the attached Xerox copy of the application is a true copy of original copending Application Serial No. 09/781,665 filed February 12, 2001.

The undersigned declares further that all statements made herein are his own knowledge, are true, and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment or both, under section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

The present application continues prosecution of subject matter originally disclosed in co-pending Application Serial No. 09/781,665 filed February 12, 2001.

Respectfully submitted,

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COMBINED DECLARATION OF INVENTORSHIP AND POWER OF ATTORNEY

As the below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below, next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and joint inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a United States Letters Patent is sought on the invention entitled "METHOD OF AND SYSTEM FOR ACQUIRING AND ANALYZING INFORMATION ABOUT THE PHYSICAL ATTRIBUTES OF OBJECTS USING PLANAR LASER ILLUMINATION BEAMS, VELOCITY-DRIVEN AUTO-FOCUSING AND AUTO-ZOOM IMAGING OPTICS. AND HEIGHT AND VELOCITY CONTROLLED IMAGE DETECTION ARRAYS", the Specification of which was filed on February 12, 2001, and assigned United States Application Number 09/781,665.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified Specification, including the Claims to Invention.

Under 35 USC Section 120, I hereby claim the benefit of the earlier filing date of any United States Patent Application listed below: copending Application Serial No. 09/780,027 filed February 9, 2001; copending Application Serial No. 09/721,885 filed November 24, 2000; International Application PCT/US00/15624 filed June 7, 2000, published as WIPO WO 00/75856; each said application being commonly owned by Assignee, Metrologic Instruments, Inc., of Blackwood, New Jersey, and incorporated herein by reference as if fully set forth herein.

I hereby acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR 1.56, including material information which became available between June 7, 2000, the filing date of prior International Application identified above, and February 12, 2001, the national filing date of this application.

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true, and that all statements made herein on information and belief are believed to be true, and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under 18 U.S.C. 1001, and that willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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